

MWES News - Week of 9/23/19

SEPTEMBER

20 - 6:30 pm (doors open) Games Begin at 7:00 pm PTA Bingo Night

24 - PTA restaurant night @ Pie Five Ellicott City

30 - Schools closed for staff and students Rosh Hashanah

OCTOBER

9 - Schools closed for staff and students Yom Kippur

FALL 2019 MAP TESTING DATES

Grade	Reading	Math
1	September 24	September 25
2	October 8	October 16
3	October 22 and 23	October 15 and 16
4	October 14 and 17	October 3 and 4
5	October 1 and 2	October 10 and 11

A note from Mrs. DeBord and Mrs. Zinn

Dear MWES families, As we get back into the swing of things, we want to remind you of some safety procedures when using the car loop at drop off and dismissal.

- Parents should not get out of their cars in the loop. Staff will help their child get to the curb or with any backpacks, etc.
- Please have children ready to get out of their cars at drop-off instead of finishing breakfast or continuing to watch electronic devices.

- For safety purposes, children must exit the vehicle on the passenger side.
- If the bell rings while they are in the car loop, parents must park their cars in the parking lot and walk their child into the office for a late pass and to sign-in on Lobby Guard.

We appreciate you working with us for the safety of our students.

Sincerely,

Carol DeBord, Principal

Jennifer Zinn, Assistant Principal

FOR YOUR REFERENCE

Please keep the MWES Important Brochure handy for your reference throughout the school year.

[FAQbrochure.pdf](#)

REPORTING ABSENCES

Please use the following link to report your child's absence. Your child needs a note to return to school each time they are absent. Please be sure to state the reasons for their absence.

MWESabsences@hcpss.org

SCHOOL NEWS

RENEWING FARMS APPLICATIONS

HCPSS participates in the Free and Reduced-price Meals (FARMS) program. [Qualification](#) is based on family size and income, and enrollment is confidential.

Parents/guardians are highly encouraged to fill out the applications as soon as possible. It is very important that applications are filled out accurately and completely.

- [Apply online](#)
- Apply by mail: Paper applications are sent home with students on the first day of school. Paper applications can also be picked up in the Food and Nutrition Service Office (5451 Beaverkill Rd, Columbia, MD 21044). Applications can be returned to your child's school or mailed to: HCPSS Food & Nutrition Service Office, 10910 Clarksville Pike, Ellicott City, MD 21042.

FROM THE HEALTH ROOM

The Health Room is in need of a couple of volunteers for our Flu Shot Clinic scheduled for Thursday October 17th. Please contact the Health Room directly at (410) 313-8326 if you are interested in volunteering. The clinic usually runs for a couple of hours in the morning. Thank you!

The flu clinic at MWES will take place on Thursday, October 17th. Paper consents will be coming home with your students in the next 2 weeks. You can also register your student on line at www.immunizemd.org/school-clinic-consent-form/. Any questions please call the health room at 410-313-8326.

FROM OUR READING SPECIALIST

Dear Manor Woods ES Families,

We are in need of a few parent volunteers to help on a weekly basis in the MWES Book Closets. You be volunteering to organize, label, inventory books, as well as put books away. If this is something you might be interested in and/or might be able to share your time with Manor Woods on a weekly basis for 30 or more minutes. Please email natalie_miskimins@hcpss.org.

Thank you,

Natalie Miskimins

Reading Specialist

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

If you would like to volunteer in the classroom, lunch room or field trips, you must complete both trainings on the HCPSS website. One is called **child abuse and neglect training** and the other is called **parent volunteers and confidentiality training**. Once you have completed the trainings, you must submit both signed forms to the front office. Click the link below for more information.

[READ MORE](#)

GIRLS ON THE RUN

Register for the Fall Season of Girls on the Run: Girls on the Run® inspires girls in grades 3-5 to be joyful, healthy, and confident by using running to teach valuable life skills. Teams of 15-20 girls meet twice weekly after school for 10 weeks. Each season concludes with the girls and their running buddies completing a 5K run. The Fall season will start the week of September 23, with the season-ending 5k scheduled for Saturday, December 7, 2019, in Columbia, MD. Program registration fee is \$175 and includes 20 lessons, 5K registration, water bottle, t-shirt, and all program materials. Financial assistance is available – no girl is

turned away. Visit www.gotrcentralmd.org for a list of program sites and to register. Questions? Call 443-583-7740.

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PTA NEWS

BINGO NIGHT - TONIGHT

Don't forget, our first annual BINGO night is tonight! Doors open at 6:30 PM and games begin at 7:00 PM. Game books, daubers and water bottles will be available for purchase at the door. Tell your kids, BETTY BINGO will be making a special appearance! We look forward to seeing everyone out for a night of family fun! Check out the [website](#) for more information.

RESTAURANT NIGHT - TUESDAY

Pie Five - 9525 Baltimore National Pike Ste 100, Ellicott City, MD 21042

Mark your calendars for an easy dinner next week, our first Restaurant Night is coming up! We will be hosting a fundraiser on Tuesday, September 24th from 5 PM to 9 PM. This is the first of just four Restaurant Nights this year, so don't miss out on the chance to support us in raising money for our school and students. We look forward to seeing you there!

PTA MEMBERSHIP EARLY BIRD PRICING

There's still time to join the PTA! Early bird rates run through October 1st. Your dues help to fund so many great programs for our kids. We can't do it without you! Membership forms will be available at BINGO night or you can send in the form that came home in students' folders. You can also easily join online at our [website](#)!

NATIONAL BOX TOPS WEEK - THROUGH 9/22

Have you downloaded the Box Tops app yet? National Box Tops Week is the perfect time to download and [try the app](#) to get DOUBLE rewards for each qualifying item. Rewards will be doubled through the weekend so download the app today!

Once you install the app, set up an account and pick Manor Woods as your school of choice. Each time you shop, use the app to take a picture of your printed receipt and the money will automatically be applied to our school. If you have physical Box Tops that you have already cut out or you still see them on some items, send them in too! Our goal is to earn \$1000 for Manor Woods this school year! Please click [here](#) to read more about how the program works.

Did you know the PTA has a Facebook group for our families to connect? Join [here](#) today!

Please contact PTA President Sri Tademeti at mwesptapres@gmail.com should you have any questions, suggestions or concerns.

COMMUNITY NEWS FROM OUR FEEDER SCHOOLS

Mustang Market

[mmarketpdf](#)

COMMUNITY NEWS AND PROGRAMS

Empowering Parents as Partners

[IEPempowerparents.pdf](#)

Community Conversation on Restorative Justice

The Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, in sponsorship with the Howard County Education Association and the Restorative Justice Partnership, will be hosting a community

conversation on restorative justice. The event will take place October 7 from 6:00 pm-9:00 pm in Rouse Theater. Refreshments will be served from 6-6:30 pm.

[restorativejusticefler.pdf](#)

Hive Market at Mary's Land Farm

When: September 27-29, 19 @ Mary's Land Farm 4979 Sheppard Lane Ellicott City, MD

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AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES WITH HOWARD COUNTY RECREATION AND PARKS

For Complete information on these Before & After School classes, including how to Register, please go to www.howardcountymd.gov/afterschool